

2018 Community Involvement – Goals and Policies – Chapter 1

Goal 1.1 – Broad and Collaborative Public Participation

Implement and encourage practices that further public participation through the provision of comprehensive public information, consultation with the community, direct involvement with the public, and collaborative partnerships.

Policy 1.1.1 – Openly recruit members for city committees and commissions using a variety of media, channels and tactics to generate interest and encourage diverse participation.

Policy 1.1.2 – Ensure publications and printed materials regarding current issues and proposed policies are readily accessible, allowing for input between policy-makers and the public.

Policy 1.1.3 – Keep the public informed of opportunities for involvement using a range of outreach tactics that may include media, tabling, and direct outreach to groups.

Policy 1.1.4 – Use emerging technologies, methods and techniques to enhance and extend community involvement.

Goal 1.2 – Inclusion and Diversity

Promote engagement practices that involve a diverse cross-section of the community, including people from a variety of geographic areas, interest areas, races, ethnicities, genders, sexual orientations, and people with disabilities.

Policy 1.2.1 – Develop methods to facilitate notification and participation in all city-related activities that aim to build engagement across Milwaukie’s diverse communities.

Policy 1.2.2 – Provide information to the community in accessible and easy-to-understand formats, including multiple languages where appropriate.

Policy 1.2.3 – Seek public input on major land use issues or city policy decisions through existing community organizations, such as faith groups, business associations, school districts, non-profits, service organizations and other bodies to encourage broad participation.

Goal 1.3 – Accountability and Evaluation

Encourage transparency and accountability in City and land use policy decision-making to ensure a commitment to equitable engagement practices and community involvement goals.

Policy 1.3.1 – Empower the Planning Commission to serve as the Community Involvement Advisory Committee (CIAC) to evaluate community involvement practices annually.

Policy 1.3.2 – Establish a Comprehensive Plan Review Committee (CPRC) to assist in periodic review or major updates of the Plan.

Policy 1.3.3 – Evaluate the success of community involvement activities regularly and make results available to the community.

Policy 1.3.4 – Prioritize adequate funding in the planning and city budget for publicity, advertising, staff, graphic materials, or other resources necessary to support diverse community engagement and participation.

Goal 1.4 – Neighborhood District Associations (NDA)

Continue to support, inform, consult, and empower community members through the Milwaukie Neighborhood District Associations (NDAs)

Policy 1.4.1 – Encourage and support, when possible, the NDA leadership to develop and implement strategies to nurture new leaders and increase participation with the goal of reflecting the diversity in each neighborhood.

Policy 1.4.2 – Provide opportunities for NDAs to give relevant and effective testimony to the City Council and Planning Commission on matters affecting their neighborhoods.

Policy 1.4.3 – Assist NDAs by providing financial assistance, subject to budgetary allocations as approved by the City Council.

Policy 1.4.4 – Notify NDAs of proposed land use actions and legislative changes as required by ordinances.